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FOR: SHIFTING DEVICE

Enclosed are:

[X] Specification and Abstract - 26 pages.

[X] Drawings - 7 sheets (Figs. 1-12).

[X] Executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney.

[X] Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449 with 2 cited references.

[X] Recordation Form Cover Sheet and Executed Assignment papers.

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Total Claims	20 - 20	= 0	x 9 = \$	OR	x 18 = \$0
Independent Claims	2 - 3	= 0	x 42 = \$	OR	x 84 = \$0
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		TOTAL	\$	TOTAL	\$750

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- [X] This application claims the benefit of Japanese Patent Application No. 2002-239433, filed August 20, 2002 and Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-100719, filed April 3, 2003.

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